

Category Theory in Coq 8.5

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List of the most important formalized notions

- basic constructions:
 - terminal/initial object
 - products/sums
 - equalizers/coequalizers
 - pullbacks/pushouts
 - exponentials
 - $+ \dashv \Delta \dashv \times$ and $(- \times a) \dashv a^-$
- external constructions:
 - comma categories
 - product category
- for **Cat**: ($\text{Obj} := \text{Category}$, $\text{Hom} := \text{Functor}$)
 - cartesian closure
 - initial object
- for **Set**: ($\text{Obj} := \text{Type}$, $\text{Hom} := \text{fun } A B \Rightarrow A \rightarrow B$)
 - initial object
 - sums
 - equalizers
 - coequalizers[†]
 - pullbacks
 - cartesian closure
 - local cartesian closure[†]
 - completeness
 - co-completeness[†]
 - sub-object classifier ($\text{Prop} : \text{Type}$)[†]
 - topos[†]

[†]uses the axioms of propositional extensionality and constructive indefinite description (axiom of choice).

- the Yoneda lemma

- adjunction
 - hom-functor adjunction, unit-counit adjunction, universal morphism adjunction and their conversions
 - duality : $F \dashv G \Rightarrow G^{op} \dashv F^{op}$
 - uniqueness up to natural isomorphism
 - category of adjunctions
- kan extensions
 - global definition
 - local definition with both hom-functor and cones (along a functor)
 - uniqueness
 - preservation by adjoint functors
 - pointwise kan extensions (preserved by representable functors)
- (co)limits
 - as (left)right local kan extensions along the unique functor to the terminal category
 - (sum)product-(co)equalizer (co)limits
 - pointwise (as kan extensions)
- T – (co)algebras (for an endofunctor T)
 - we use proof functional extensionality
 - we use proof irrelevance in many cases (mostly for proof of equality of arrows)
- This implementation can be found at:
 - <https://bitbucket.org/amintimany/categories/>

- This implementation uses some features of Coq 8.5, most notably:
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 - For Categories: $(C^{\text{op}})^{\text{op}} \equiv C$
 - For Functors: $(F^{\text{op}})^{\text{op}} \equiv F$
 - For Natural Transformations: $(N^{\text{op}})^{\text{op}} \equiv N$

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- We can use Yoneda to prove that in any cartesian closed category:

$$(a^b)^c \simeq a^{b \times c}$$

but this lemma can't be applied to \mathbf{Cat} or \mathbf{Set}

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- But, that would cause a problem for the part where we show that type `nat : Set` of the library of Coq is the initial algebra for $T(X) = 1 + X$ in category `Set`
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Parameter TT : UNIT.
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